

December 21, 2007

Re: Local Bridge "Call for Projects"

Dear County Commissioners:

This letter is to notify you that the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) will be accepting applications for federal funds for local bridge projects which are located outside the urbanized area of Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs). Marion County is located totally within the urbanized area of the Indianapolis MPO; hence, it is not eligible; the other 91 counties are eligible. Each of the eligible counties for the Local Bridge program has been assigned to one district. See the attached list for your county's assigned district.

You may complete and file your application "on-line" at our website (<https://netservices.indot.in.gov>). If you desire, you may contact the Local Programs Coordinator for your district to request a hardcopy of the application and score sheet.

<u>District</u>	<u>Contact</u>	<u>Telephone</u>	<u>e-mail</u>
Crawfordsville	Joe Spear	(765) 361-5228	jspear@indot.in.gov
Fort Wayne	David Armstrong	(260) 969-8277	darmstrong@indot.in.gov
Greenfield	David Cox	(317) 467-3909	dcox@indot.in.gov
La Porte	Marcia Blansett	(219) 325-7564	mblansett@indot.in.gov
Seymour	Brandi Fischvogt	(812) 522-5649	bfischvogt@indot.in.gov
Vincennes	John Myers	(812) 895-7379	jomyers@indot.in.gov

Regardless of which method you use to apply, INDOT must receive your application(s) by midnight on February 21, 2008. If you elect to submit a hardcopy of an application, instead of using the website, please submit the application (one copy) to the District Local Programs Coordinator. An applicant may submit a maximum of 8 pages of supporting documents with each application and completed score sheet.

An applicant may submit application(s) for new projects in addition to applications requesting an increase for existing projects. Funds are available for new projects in federal fiscal year 2011 and beyond. See page 6 of the procedure for Local Federal aid Programs for eligibility criteria.

Applications from counties which owe INDOT money which is more than 45 days past due will not be considered. A county which resolves its past due account will be eligible for award. The county may contact the appropriate INDOT District Local Programs Coordinator to discuss its past due account.

The following documents are posted on INDOT's website:

1. Procedure for Local Federal Aid Programs.
2. Inventory of Local Bridge projects, including current amount of federal funds allocated.
3. Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA's) list of eligible bridges.

Based upon the current inventory of Local Bridge projects and the amount of federal funds allocated to them, INDOT will award approximately \$30,000,000 in federal funds, which will be allocated by INDOT's geographical districts based on the area of structurally deficient bridges. The approximate amount available in each district is listed below.

<u>District</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>
Crawfordsville	\$6,500,000
Fort Wayne	\$3,900,000
Greenfield	\$4,600,000
La Porte	\$4,800,000
Seymour	\$4,100,000
Vincennes	\$6,100,000

If you have any questions regarding the application process, please contact the Local Programs Coordinator for your district.

Sincerely,

Richard C. Whitney
Manager
Local Federal Aid Office